

**CHAP. 187.**—Joint Resolution Directing the Secretary of War to allot war trophies to the American Legion Museum.

April 26, 1926.  
[S. J. Res. 91.]  
[Pub. Res., No. 19.]

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of War be directed to allot and deliver without cost to the United States, to the National Museum of the American Legion at its national headquarters, a representative collection of captured and surrendered war devices and trophies of the World War, to be selected from those war devices and trophies not otherwise allotted and accepted for distribution in accordance with law: *Provided*, That acceptance, shipment, and delivery shall be made within a reasonable time and under the laws and regulations, except as herein provided, that are now applicable to acceptance, shipment, and delivery of war devices and trophies to the States, Territories, possessions of the United States and the District of Columbia.

American Legion Museum.  
World War trophies to be allotted to.

*Proviso.*  
Acceptance, etc., requirements.

Approved, April 26, 1926.

**CHAP. 188.**—Joint Resolution Authorizing the establishment of a commission to be known as the Sesquicentennial of American Independence and the Thomas Jefferson Centennial Commission of the United States, in commemoration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

April 26, 1926.  
[S. J. Res. 30.]  
[Pub. Res., No. 20.]

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That there is hereby established a commission to be known as the Sesqui-Centennial of American Independence and the Thomas Jefferson Centennial Commission of the United States, in commemoration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence (hereinafter referred to as the commission), and to be composed of nineteen commissioners as follows:

Sesquicentennial of American Independence and Thomas Jefferson Centennial Commission.  
Established.

The President of the United States, the Vice President of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, ex-officio; eight persons to be appointed by the President of the United States; four Senators by the Vice President; and four Representatives by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Composition.

**SEC. 2.** The commissioners shall serve without compensation, and shall select a chairman from among their number, and no appropriation shall be made by Congress to carry out the purposes of this Act.

Service without compensation.

**SEC. 3.** It shall be the duty of the commissioners to promulgate to the American people an address relating to the reason of the creation of the commission and of its purposes and to prepare a plan or plans for a program in cooperation with the officers and board of governors of the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation, and the other National, State, city, civic, and patriotic committees, and other Jefferson centennial committees appointed throughout the country for the purpose of properly commemorating those signal events which have brought this commission into being; and to give due and proper consideration to any plan or plans which may be submitted to them; and to take such steps as may be necessary in the coordination and correlation of the various plans which may be submitted to the commission; and if the participation of other nations be deemed advisable, to communicate with the governments of such nations.

Address to be promulgated for commemorating events, preparing plans for celebration, etc.

**SEC. 4.** When the commission shall have approved of a plan of celebration, then it shall submit for their consideration and approval such plan or plans, in so far as it or they may relate to the fine arts,

Submission of plans to Commission of Fine Arts.

to the Commission of Fine Arts, in Washington, for their approval, and in accordance with statutory requirements.

Duration of commission.

SEC. 5. That the commission hereby created shall expire within two years after the expiration of the celebration, December 31, 1926.

Effective at once.

SEC. 6. This joint resolution shall take effect immediately.

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[S. 2752.]

[Public, No. 152.]

**CHAP. 190.**—An Act For the purchase of land as an artillery range at Fort Ethan Allen, Vermont.

Army.  
Target range at Fort Ethan Allen, Vt., to be acquired.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized and empowered to acquire, by purchase, condemnation, or donation, a tract of land containing approximately six thousand and seven acres in the vicinity of and for use as a target range in connection with Fort Ethan Allen, Vermont, and there is hereby authorized to be appropriated for such purpose a sum not to exceed \$200,000 out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Amount authorized for.

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[S. 3283.]

[Public, No. 153.]

**CHAP. 191.**—An Act To provide for the appointment of Army field clerks and field clerks, Quartermaster Corps, as warrant officers, United States Army.

Army.  
Appointment of field clerks as warrant officers, authorized.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That hereafter Army field clerks and field clerks, Quartermaster Corps, now in active service, shall have the rank, pay, allowances, retirement privileges, and benefits of warrant officers, other than those of the Army Mine Planter Service, and the Secretary of War is hereby authorized and directed to appoint them warrant officers of the Regular Army: *Provided*, That in determining length of service for longevity pay and retirement they shall be credited with and entitled to count the same military service as now authorized for warrant officers, including service as Army field clerks and field clerks, Quartermaster Corps, and all classified field service rendered as headquarters clerks and clerks of the Quartermaster Corps: *Provided further*. That the limitation in the Act of June 30, 1922, on the number of warrant officers, United States Army, shall not apply to the appointees hereunder.

Proviso.  
Service credit allowed.

Former restriction not applicable.  
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[S. 2274.]

[Public, No. 154.]

**CHAP. 192.**—An Act Providing for the promotion of a professor at the United States Military Academy.

Army.  
Promotion of officer at Military Academy, authorized.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That any officer of the United States Army now holding the position of permanent professor at the United States Military Academy, and who on July 2, 1921, would have become entitled to his promotion to a colonelcy had he remained in the line of the Army and who on that date had completed more than three years' duty as permanent professor shall have the rank, pay, and allowances of a colonel in the Army, and that the said rank shall date from July 2, 1921: *Provided*, That no back pay and allowances prior to the passage of this Act shall accrue.

Proviso.  
No back pay, etc.

Approved, April 27, 1926.